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packets in the last one of the plurality of data units, and the arrival time of the last one of the one or more data packets is used to compute the time difference value.--

REMARKS

Favorable consideration of the application as presently amended is respectfully requested.

This application is a Divisional of co-pending U.S. Application, Serial No. 09/666,129, filed September 20, 2000 which is a Continuation of International Application PCT/JP00/01653 with an International filing date of March 17, 2000.

Claims 20-29 are presently active in this case, Claims 1-19 having been cancelled and Claims 20-29 added by way of the present preliminary amendment.

Accordingly, examination on the merits of Claims 20-29 is believed to be in order and an early and favorable action is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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